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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

Please amend Claim 37 to read as follows:

-- 37. (Twice Amended) A pharmaceutical combination comprising a compound which has the structure



$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{2a} & R^{2b} \\
Q & R^{2c} & R^{2c}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N & CH_2)_x & R^2 & R^3 \\
X & CH_2)_m & CH_2)_n
\end{array}$$

wherein x is 1, 2, 3 or 4; m is 1 or 2; n is 1 or 2;

Q is C or N;

A is O or S;

Z is O or a bond;

R¹ is H or lower alkyl;

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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☐ Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time. •

Respectfully submitted,

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